

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]

Adopted and Filed Emergency

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 105.4, the Iowa Plumbing and Mechanical Systems Board hereby amends Chapter 29, “Plumbing and Mechanical Systems Professionals—Application, Licensure, and Examination,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The rules in Chapter 29 define the type of licenses and the requirements for licensure. Guidelines are provided for applicants to follow when they apply for the initial license, apply for renewal, or apply for examination. The rules also outline procedures to follow when licensure is denied. This amendment reflects the changes mandated by 2010 Iowa Acts, House File 2531, section 100. This section of the bill took effect upon enactment on April 29, 2010. Through September 30, 2010, a person who has not previously held a license issued under Iowa Code section 105.18 will be allowed to sit for a state master license examination in the applicable discipline if that person submits evidence of 48 months of work experience equivalent to that of a licensed master as deemed by the Board.

In compliance with Iowa Code section 17A.4(3), the Board finds that notice and public participation are impracticable due to the immediate need for rule making to administer the limited exception approved by the Legislature.

The Board also finds, pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.5(2)“b”(2), that the normal effective date of the amendment should be waived and this amendment should be made effective upon filing, as it confers a benefit to regulated parties by providing an opportunity for those who can document 48 months of master level work experience to sit for a master examination.

The Plumbing and Mechanical Systems Board adopted this amendment on May 6, 2010.

This amendment became effective on May 10, 2010.

This amendment is intended to implement 2010 Iowa Acts, House File 2531, section 100.

The following amendment is adopted.

Adopt the following new rule 641—29.8(83GA,HF2531):

641—29.8(83GA,HF2531) Master license—exception through September 30, 2010.

29.8(1) Notwithstanding paragraph 29.6(3) “k,” through September 30, 2010, the board may grant permission to sit for a master examination in one or more applicable discipline to an applicant who has not previously been licensed as a master or journeyperson in the applicable discipline and who possesses at least 48 months of work experience equivalent to that of a licensed master in the applicable discipline between September 30, 2004, and September 30, 2010. For purposes of this subrule, an applicant shall demonstrate the requisite work experience by providing a notarized employer verification statement on a form provided by the board, notarized client verification statements on a form provided by the board, or tax documents such as a Schedule C, Form 1099, Form W-2, or other tax forms establishing such requisite work experience. Upon board verification of work experience, the board shall return any submitted tax documents to the applicant via certified mail.

29.8(2) Notwithstanding subrule 29.2(3), through November 15, 2010, an applicant for a master license may be eligible to receive a master license if:

a. The applicant files an application and pays all applicable fees in accordance with rule 641—29.5(105); and

b. The applicant passes the state master licensing examination for the applicable discipline.

This rule is intended to implement 2010 Iowa Acts, House File 2531, section 100.

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